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OF THE OFFICERS, NCO's AND MEN
of the
36TH (ULSTER) DIVISION
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and to
Their Great Grandsons,
OFFICERS, NCO's AND MEN
of the
NORTH ANTRIM & LONDONDERRY BRIGADE
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1972 - 1997

Who gave their lives in defence of Ulster
LEST WE FORGET
QUI SEPARABIT?



THE MEN OF THE 36TH (ULSTER) DIVISION

WARRIOR

IN MEMORIAM

*Sweet and pleasant, the saying runs
For a country dear to die;
To fall midst the roar of mighty guns,
And the soul-stirring battle-cry
To fall, not in glory's empty quest,
But in duty nobly done;
To be laid down in death's long sleep to rest
On the field so dearly won.*

*Greater love no man can show
Than to lay down a life for a friend.
So the Lord taught us long ago
as He spake before His end.
Well may we honour the heroes brave
Who have fallen in war's fierce fight;
Their life for their land they freely gave
In the struggle, for Freedom and Right.*

*Heroes, indeed, we may hail them all,
Who looked at death without fear,
Who leaped from the trench at the whistle's call,
And rushed to charge with a cheer;
Rushed to the charge, through bullet and shell
Tore through their ranks with deadly aim
So our men fought, and so they fell,
And won for themselves a glorious name.*

*There are fathers and mothers whose hearts are sad
For the boys they so bravely gave,
For the boys, so merry, and bright and glad,
Who rest in a soldier's grave.
Take comfort, brave hearts, they have done their part
For the land they loved so well;
From our minds their names can ne'er depart,
In our hearts they shall ever dwell.*

*Well may your hearts with pride beat high,
From you the lesson they learned
To offer, to suffer, to fight and to die,
The martyr's crown they have earned.
Mothers! be proud of the sons you bore,
The sons who could show no fear;
Let this comfort the hearts that are sore and sad
They have died for their country dear.*

*And if to us it is cause to grief
their years on this earth so few,
their span of life been all too brief -
Then learn this lesson true.*

*Not how long we live, but how we live,
Be the test each life to prove,
And the victor's crown our God shall give
In His glorious Heaven above.*

F.M.
Bushmills, February 1917



WARRIOR

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY.
After the Battle of the Somme,
1 July 1916.

By Major-General O.S.W. Nugent, D.S.O.,
Commanding 36th (Ulster) Division.

The General Officer Commanding the Ulster Division desires that the Division should know that, in his opinion, nothing finer has been done in the war than the attack by the Ulster Division on the 1 July.

The leading of the Company Officers, the discipline and courage shown by all ranks of the Division will stand out in the future history of the war as an example of what good troops, well led, are capable of accomplishing.

None but troops of the best quality could have faced the fire which was brought to bear on them and the losses suffered during the advance.

Nothing could have been finer than the steadiness and discipline shown by every battalion, not only in forming up outside its own trenches, but in advancing under severe enfilading fire.

The advance across the open to the German line was carried out with the steadiness of a parade movement, under a fire both from front and flanks, which could only have been faced by troops of the highest quality.

The fact that the objects of the attack on one side were not obtained is no reflection on the battalions which were entrusted with the task.

They did all that man could do, and in common with every battalion in the Division, showed the most conspicuous courage and devotion.

On the other side, the Division carried out every portion of its allotted task in spite of the heaviest losses.

It captured nearly 600 prisoners, and carried its advance triumphantly to the limits of the objective laid down.

There is nothing in the operations carried out by the Ulster Division on the 1 July that will not be a source of pride to all Ulstermen.

The Division has been highly tried, and has emerged from the ordeal with unstained honour, having fulfilled, in every particular, the great expectations formed of it.

Tales of individual and collective heroism on the part of officers and men come in from every side, too numerous to mention, but all showing that the standard of gallantry and devotion attained is one that may be equalled, but is never likely to be surpassed.

The General Officer Commanding deeply regrets the heavy losses of officers and men. He is proud beyond description, as every officer and man in the Division may well be, of the magnificent example of sublime courage and discipline which the Ulster Division has given to the Army.

Ulster has every reason to be proud of the men she has given to the service of our country.

Though many of our best men have gone, the spirit which animated them remains in the Division, and will never die.

L.J. O'DRINN,
Lt.-Col., A.A. and Q.M.G.,
36th Division.

1 July, 1916.

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EDITORIAL POLICY

Welcome to this edition of "Warrior" magazine. This publication exists as an independent voice of Loyalism in the North of Ulster. We welcome articles and letters from our readership, although these may not reflect the views of the editorial staff and we cannot always guarantee publication. Thank you for purchasing this magazine, we can assure you that all money raised from sales will be used for the furtherance of the Loyalist cause.

THE "NORTH REPORT" - PNF OBJECTIVES BY PROXY

In January the government sponsored report of "The Independent Review of parades and marches" - the "North Report" - was published. The report, even before its' publication, was acknowledged to be little more than a British Government sponsored attack on Ulster Protestant culture - we were not to be disappointed!

The report was written jointly by : Dr. Peter North, an English academic, whose knowledge of Ulster extends no further than BBC news reports, (an unbiased source there!!), and the letters page of the Times newspaper! ; The Rev. John Dunlop, an obnoxious Presbyterian minister whose detestation of anything to do with Protestant culture is well documented and whose entire middle class existence is spent promoting the anti-reformation ecumenical movement. (Dunlop can be described as part of the fifth column within Protestantism); Lastly we come to "Father" Oliver Crilly, an individual who will certainly be sympathetic and impartial towards Protestant culture - Ha! (Putting Crilly in the report team is akin to putting a paedophile in charge of a children's home! - Pun intended!!!).

This then was supposed to be the impartial Government recruited team - experts! - To investigate the issue of marches and parades in Ulster.

As can be deduced, this impartial team upon completion of their Report basically blamed for the violence of 1995 and 1996 to the "triumphalist actions of bigoted Protestants through the Loyal Orders. The poor down-trodden wee Republicans were again the brunt of Protestant sectarian bigotry

- the poor wee Roman Catholics had to suffer so much! The Report, although well camouflaged in "verbositic" terms was simply an attack on Protestant culture.

Many naive individuals and fools however argued the report was well balanced and thought out, only sectarian bigots could really object to it. The truth of the matter though hurts!

The publication of the Report was welcomed by the Dublin

Government, USA Government, SDLP, Sinn Fein, and Roman Catholic Church - all enemies of the Ulster State.

Great pressure was brought to bear by these groups, i.e. the Pan-Nationalist Front, for the British Government to implement the Report's findings before the, sic, "marching season" began. This would have effectively banned parades or removed the moral high ground Ulster Protestants have in practising their culture and made the wee Roman Catholics "victims" in the eyes of the Media again.

However the then Tory Government reliant on Ulster Unionist MPs to remain in power refused to implement the Report, but this, in all probability, may change dramatically with the advent of a new Labour Government. It is also interesting to note that even though the Government proclaimed the Report would examine all parades, the ITN "News at Ten" broadcast on the 30th January 1997, described the Report as "the North Report on Loyalist marches" - so much for impartiality!

THE "NORTH REPORT" - PNF OBJECTIVES BY PROXY

All though is not doom and gloom, the Report had the effect of alarming the Protestant community to what they saw as yet another British Government and PNF attack upon them. In this respect the British Government and PNF, even after 27 years of war fail to understand Protestant mentality. Two effects were caused with by the Report within the Protestant community.

One, recruitment and support for the Loyal Orders rose. Two, recruitment and support for the Loyalist paramilitaries, i.e. UDA / UFF and Ulster Resistance rose, as more young men perceived another attack on their community. What the British Government fails to understand, as well as the PNF, is that when you tell an Ulster Protestant he cannot act like an Ulster

Protestant - parade and practise his culture, the blood boils, anger rises, the hackles on his neck stand up and the old rifle, so lovingly wrapped, gets taken out for another clean! Shoot, bomb and kill, but tell an Ulster Protestant he cannot practice his culture and walk down a road - beware!

Each oppressive act by the Government, each act of appeasement of Republicans by the Government brings the inevitable civil war a step closer, yet the Government, the PNF, are so arrogant, so dismissive of the Ulster Protestants they cannot see this. If the "North Report" is supposed to be the answer to the anger of Ulster Protestants over practising their culture, then someone has cried "Havoc!" and released the Dogs of War!



Dunlop, North, Crilly -The Pan-Nationalist Front by Proxy

Sunday World Gets It Wrong.

That bulwark of investigative journalism, The Sunday World, in their report of May 4th, "UDA mag calls for ethnic cleansing", has once again got it wrong, confirming that which we all knew, that it is more interested in melodramatic headlines than actual facts.

Firstly, Warrior makes no apology for anything contained in the relevant article, (Dunloy - a cesspit of bigotry. Issue No. 8), which commented on the parades issue in the village of Dunloy. The item was indeed strongly worded and exposed many of the violent actions of Republicans in the area. We note that nowhere in the Sunday World report does it mention anything about Dunloy Orange Hall being attacked or any other acts of Republican violence. For the Sunday World to allege that the article was a call for "ethnic cleansing" was nothing more than blatant sensationalism.

Sunday World also claimed that this magazine described Cllr. Charlie O'Kane as an "apologist for the Dunloy Concerned Parents and Residents Association". Nowhere in our piece do we refer to Charlie O'Kane as such. The staff of Warrior magazine are totally opposed to the politics of Charlie O'Kane, however, we recognise the fact that he has always had the guts to stand up for his convictions, however misguided we feel they may be. While we remain wholly opposed to him politically, we can admire the fact that, unlike the "Dunloy Residents Association", he has had the courage of his convictions and aired his grievances in public and in

front of all sections of the media.

The actions of the "Dunloy Residents' Association" though are another matter entirely. During the past year they have succeeded in halting no less than seven parades by the Loyal Orders in the village of Dunloy, yet not one person in that organisation has made himself or herself accountable to the media or the general public. There have been many calls from the "Dunloy Residents Association" for dialogue and "face to face" meetings with the Loyal Orders but, as yet, when this same group are interviewed by the media we are invariably confronted with the image of Paddy O'Kane's



Dunloy Orange Hall, after yet another paint bomb attack by Republicans

back to the camera or some vague quote from "a spokesperson who did not wish to be named". We believe that an organisation such as the "Dunloy Resident's Association" which is successful enough to stop hundreds of law-abiding Orangemen in their tracks and which also enjoys such a high profile as to merit a visit from the new Secretary of State Mo Mowlan, should be accountable to the people whom they seek to oppose. The spokesmen for the Loyal Orders in Dunloy have been quite happy to state their case publicly and because of this they have come under much criticism from certain sections of the media, yet the "Dunloy Resident's Association" prefer to remain anonymous. In the interests of fair play we believe that the

Loyalist people have a right to know exactly who these people are and therefore we have published a list of the most prominent members of that organisation here. They are as follows:

Chairman:

Paddy O'Kane

Main Street, Dunloy

Vice-Chairman:

Tony Chivers

Bridge Road, Dunloy

Patsy Scott

Station Road, Dunloy

Anna Martin

Bridge Road, Dunloy

Joe McErlaine

Belaghy Park, Dunloy

Chris McIlfatrick

Greenacre, Dunloy

Frank Dillon

Fassagh Park, Dunloy

Barney Cairns

Fassagh Park, Dunloy

These people, along with the Mediation Network, are said to have recently delivered a "deal" which would have "allowed" the local Orange Lodge to have their service and parade in the village. County Antrim Grand Lodge subsequently rejected this, and adopted a policy of

refusing to meet with local resident's groups. The County Antrim Grand Lodge and the Dunloy Lodge were heavily criticised by politicians and the media alike for refusing this so-called "deal".

Here for the first time Warrior reveals what really took place between the Dunloy Residents Association and the Mediation Network. A summary of the facts are as follows. After a number of contacts between the Residents group and Mediation Network a public meeting was held in the local community hall in which a proposal was put forward that last year's Orange service and parade be "allowed" to proceed as "a gesture of good will". After lengthy discussion this was put to the meeting with over 100 of the people present voting in favour of the parade going ahead and around 40 voting against it. At this stage over 40 people, led by prominent members of Sinn Fein, including many who do not live in the village walked out of the meeting, stating as they left that no matter what agreement was reached with the Orangemen that they, (Sinn Fein / PIRA) would ensure that no parade would take place in Dunloy.

We can then make the following analysis:

1. The majority of Roman Catholics living in the village of Dunloy have no objections to parades by the Loyal Orders in the village.
2. Most of the opposition to these parades comes from those

who do not live in Dunloy or who are not natives of Dunloy.

3. Any "deal" offered to the Orange Order by Mediation Network was not worth the paper it was written on as the Republican Movement are still intent on stopping any parade.

4. As was seen at the recent ABOD parade in Dunloy when the Protestants had accepted the fact that they were not going to be allowed to parade to church and intended to hold their service in the grounds of the Orange Hall, they were not allowed to do even this whenever the Republicans invaded the grounds of the Hall. Whenever the RUC encounter opposition from the Republicans they will invariably beat the Protestants of the road.

5. Any so-called deal Made with Mediation Network would have suffered the same fate as the recent ABOD parade as it was clear from what happened at the Dunloy meeting that there was going to be opposition from the Republican Movement.

6. Mediation Network are fully aware of the facts surrounding the Dunloy meeting and therefore they should come clean instead of implying that any lack of agreement is the fault of the Loyal Orders.

It is our sincere hope that this article will in some way help to redress the inaccuracies and blatant lies spewed forth in recent weeks by the Republican Movement and their sympathisers in certain sections of the media.

THE FUTURES DARK, THE FUTURES GREEN

(Is it the end of the road for Orangeism?)

The Irish Nationalist analysis holds that the cause of violence in Ulster is the existence of partition: once partition is ended, the violence will end. When Margaret Thatcher signed the Anglo-Irish Diktat she signed up to the Irish Nationalist analysis of the conflict; and when later, Sir James Molyneaux allowed himself to be carried along in the wake of the Downing Street Declaration, he signalled that Ulster Unionism lacks the intellectual stamina to rebut the Irish Nationalist analysis.

Yet on the ground the Irish Nationalist analysis that partition is the cause of the conflict on this Island runs up against the instinctive feelings, passion and sentiment of ordinary Ulster folk: The Grass Roots.

This sentiment, emotion and passion is demonstrated in the public displays of the Loyal Orders, as they are quaintly termed, and specifically in the Orange Order.

The Orange Order in an inarticulate, unprofessional, amateurish and highly populist way, states by its very existence that the source of the conflict is the realisation among multitudes of people in Ulster that they have no future whatsoever in a United Ireland; something which Unionism has failed to do for many years. Orange folk believe that if they are to preserve their sense of place, of history, of language, and predominately of ethnicity and religious conviction, or lack of it, then there needs to be a fence between them and the most unscrupulous, hypocritical and aggressive community in Western Europe: The

Irish Nationalists of the Pan-Nationalist front.

We see, then, that there is a distinction between grass roots Orangeism and desiccated Ulster Unionism. The Orangemen reflect in their symbols, marches and music the two great lines of cleavage on this island: Ethnicity, ("We are British") and religion, ("We are proud to be Protestant").

Secular Unionism has long since abandoned the religious argument in regard to the present conflict. When the Ulster Unionist Party was presented with evidence of ethnic cleansing of British and Protestant people stretching in a wide arc from "John Hume's" Londonderry to South Armagh, its' response was numbingly ineffectual, because Ulster Unionism can only respond within the paradigm set out by the

two governments, London and Dublin, who in reality together have forged an axis to end the Union.

When the issue of ethnic cleansing was put to the Orange Order, the response differed. Those following the Unionist Party line within the Orange Order engaged in denial or alternatively stated: "We know ethnic cleansing is going on but if we publicise it people might get frightened" (sic) - as if Ulster Protestants aren't scared out of their wits already and deeply demoralised to boot!

With the subject of "ethnic cleansing" it was possible to argue that crazed and fanatical IRA men, who were unrepresentative of the Roman Catholic community were murdering Protestants in, for example, the vicinity of Coalisland, County Tyrone, (Protestant population now 2% and falling), or intimidating Protestants in Enniskillen. Boycotting, though is something altogether different. To work it requires the whole

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Roman Catholic population to set their faces against vulnerable Protestant traders who are discovering this in towns such as Benburb, Castlederg, Pomeroy, Dungiven, Portglenone and so on, that they can "neither buy nor sell", to quote from the Book of Revelation. Boycotting will shortly present the Orange Institution with a far greater challenge than the right to march; because you have to establish your right to be, to actually exist, before you can find a quorum to open an Orange Lodge or recruit young people into a pipe band.

We come back, therefore, to a much starker analysis than anything the Unionist Parties care to contemplate, but an analysis which grass roots Orangeism endorses: That the conflict on this island is not about partition, but about the sobering and horrendous fact that Ireland's Roman Catholic and Irish Nationalist population want the whole island to themselves and on their own terms.

Proof of this analysis is to be found in the strong parallels between Irish strategy employed today and the method and tactics which drove three out of four Protestants out of the Irish Republic in the past. The tactics in the past were a powerful but largely underestimated propaganda machine, the use of outsiders to murder targets identified by the locals, intimidation of the Unionist community, burning, boycotting, low-level agitation and violence.

The IRA have discovered that it is possible to wage war by peaceful means: Demands from Residents' Groups for consultation, using the RUC to enforce "residents' rights". Bellaghy, County Londonderry, is a classic case study. There, the representatives of the Loyal Orders entered into negotiation. Concessions were made, a route was agreed. This was a "victory for common sense", but in reality Protestants were driven from their homes and the "Prods Out" principle dominated the situation. The IRA won, the Loyal Orders lost, and will lose again in the future. For Protestant families living in Bellaghy it was the end of the road. The political posturing of Unionists could not protect them. Flight was the only safe option.

There are grim and cruel days ahead. The most peripheral region of the United Kingdom is more deeply polarised than ever. The Anglo-Irish Diktat's much vaunted declaration in favour of "reconciliation" has failed us all. Dublin uses the Agreement's facilities to impose an Irish culture on Ulster. Prominent academics are denied promotion, and many Unionists go along with this cultural attrition. The gap between the Orange Order and the Ulster Unionist Party, to which it gave rise, is widening because Orangemen and Women believe we have a human right to be British and Protestant on this island. The only route to a United position is through an agreed analysis. Without an agreed analysis, a

divided population cannot stand and the end of the road for Orangeism will be in sight. The writing is on the road in Bellaghy - "Prods Out".

(This article by Clifford Smyth, first appeared in the "Ulster Review" 3 Glengall Street, Belfast, BT12 5AE. An In-depth Analysis of Current Affairs, From an Ulster Viewpoint).

THE LOYALIST PRISONER'S AID

The Loyalist Prisoner's Aid was established with the aim of providing help and support for Loyalist Prisoners of War and their families. The Loyalist Prisoner's Aid also provides long-term support for dependants of Loyalist Volunteers, "Killed in Action" or as a result of Republican murder squads.

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THE FRAMEWORKS DOCUMENT

"Necessary Nonsense"

The 1995 Framework Document Proposals can be summed up in a short passage from Annex B of that document - "... a shared understanding of the constitutional issues which achieved a balanced accommodation of the differing positions of the two main traditions".

It is the pursuit of this "balanced accommodation" on the constitutional issue which has occupied British policy for at least the past decade. The "shared understanding" may already exist, expressed in the frequently articulated policy of consent. London, Dublin and all the main constitutional parties, it would seem, share the understanding that Northern Ireland is part of the UK. Because that is the wish of a majority of its' people, and will remain so for as long as a majority so wish. Part of that "shared understanding" is also the acknowledgement that there is a minority within Northern Ireland who wish to take the province out of the UK and into a United Ireland.



• Sir Patrick Mayhew, left and Michael Ancram

The problem has been and remains, translating that shared understanding into a balanced accommodation of what are two diametrically opposed pos-



itions. To some it might seem that the British Government's declaration of no selfish interest in Northern Ireland, and its' readiness to

implement the wishes of a majority if that majority should ever decide in favour of Irish unity, accompanied meanwhile by full parity of esteem for a minority within Northern Ireland in accordance with international agreements, would be the maximum accommodation possible. But neither the SDLP or the Dublin Government let alone Sinn Fein, has ever accepted that this is indeed "a balanced accommodation". Something more has always been sought. In the Framework Proposals the British Government is clearly trying to deliver that something.

The talks process was all about either replacing or transcending the Anglo-Irish Agreement, through inclusive dialogue. But there was also at the time a less obvious agenda - contacts with the PIRA with a view to ending violence. This hidden "fourth strand" assumed rapidly increasing importance and profile with the Hume / Adams dialogue, and by the time of the Downing Street Declaration in December 1993, was the dominant factor in the approach of both Governments to Northern Ireland. The PIRA cease-fire at

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the end of August 1994 ensured that the ongoing Anglo-Irish negotiations on the promised framework were at least as much concerned with responding to and prolonging the PIRA ceasefire as a long term political settlement.

That is a key part of the background against which the proposals of February 22nd 1995 must be assessed. It has been suggested that much of what is contained in the Frameworks "Necessary Nonsense", that is grand sounding but essentially unimportant measures the main purpose of which was to keep Sinn Fein / PIRA on board the so-called "Peace Process". Given that an end to violence must be everyone's top priority, the proper response, even for Unionists, must be to go along with the proposals, safe in the knowledge that they contain no real threat to Northern Ireland's constitutional position, and offer no more than a token role for Dublin through the North / South arrangements.

However there are grounds for caution about such an analysis. Not least of these is the ambiguity over what the Dublin Government has or has not undertaken to deliver on Articles 2 and 3 of the Irish Constitution. The Frameworks Document would have been strengthened had it contained a much clearer indication that Article 2 - the definition of the national territory as the island of Ireland - will be dropped, and if it had also contained an explicit affirmation of the legit-

imacy of Northern Ireland as a region of the UK by virtue of the majority will of its' citizens, repeatedly confirmed at the ballot box.

Another ground for caution is the logic of the analysis which underpins the Frameworks. The most striking aspect of this analysis is that it is the same as that upon which the Anglo-Irish Agreement was based. At its' core is the contention that Nationalists in the North have a right to political expression of an Irish identity, and that this must be satisfied by institutionalising a role for the Government of the independent Irish State in the affairs of Northern Ireland.

The current Frameworks differ in approach from the Anglo-Irish Agreement only in so far as the main emphasis is on the creation of cross-border structures, not on a direct role for the Irish Government in the administration of Northern Ireland. The allocation of areas of public administration in Northern Ireland to joint North / South bodies for executive, harmonising or consultative purposes is to be the new way of allowing Nationalist of expressing their Irish identity. Just how broad these areas are remains to be seen; the British Government, through Michael Ancram in a Northern Ireland brief article in April 1995 suggested they would be quite limited.

This could be seen as a positive change. It offends less against the principles of representative democracy than giving the

Government of another jurisdiction a formal, albeit advisory, role in the administration of Northern Ireland, as under the Anglo-Irish Agreement.

On the other hand the transfer of various functions to joint North / South bodies would do nothing to remedy the democratic deficit from which Northern Ireland currently suffers; it would, at the very least, obscure the lines of accountability between the decision-makers and the citizens of Northern Ireland. Control over some Northern Ireland matters could pass to a body, half of which would represent the Government of another State.

But the reality is that this new North / South element is bolted onto the existing Anglo-Irish arrangements; it is not an alternative or replacement. The "new and more broadly based" East / West agreement will maintain the intergovernmental conference which will "provide a continuing institutional expression of the Irish Government's recognised concern and role in relation to Northern Ireland". All the indications are that this "role" is precisely the same role as that afforded under the Anglo-Irish Agreement, and which has been the main cause of the rejection of that Agreement by a clear majority in Northern Ireland.

**Best wishes to Charlie & Martin
Ecarcerated in England
From all your comrades
North Antrim & Londonderry
Ulster Freedom Fighters**

DUBLIN'S JOINT AUTHORITY OVER ULSTER

Since November 1985 and the imposition of the Anglo-Irish Diktat by the British Government, Dublin has had "de facto" joint authority over Ulster.

This joint authority by Dublin has been achieved through Dublin civil servants working in "harmonious conjunction" with British civil servants through the Anglo-Irish secretariat ensconced at the Maryfield bunker outside Belfast.

The extent of this "Joint Authority" and encroachment of Ulster's sovereignty was always known, but the exact extent was well hidden and disguised by both Dublin and London. That is until February this year when a reply to a parliamentary question was received by North Down MP Robert McCartney.

The reply was shocking and extremely alarming, highlighting the extensive role Dublin now plays in the day-to-day governing of Ulster.

The reply stated that during 1996 alone, British Government civil servants gave 25 briefings to Irish civil servants through the Anglo-Irish Secretariat at Maryfield. Issues as diverse as public expenditure, parades, Security Forces operational matters, cultural matters, housing, the economy - virtually every aspect of life in Ulster was discussed. These facts coupled with the admittance of Patrick Mayhew that the RUC received "consultations" from Irish civil servants

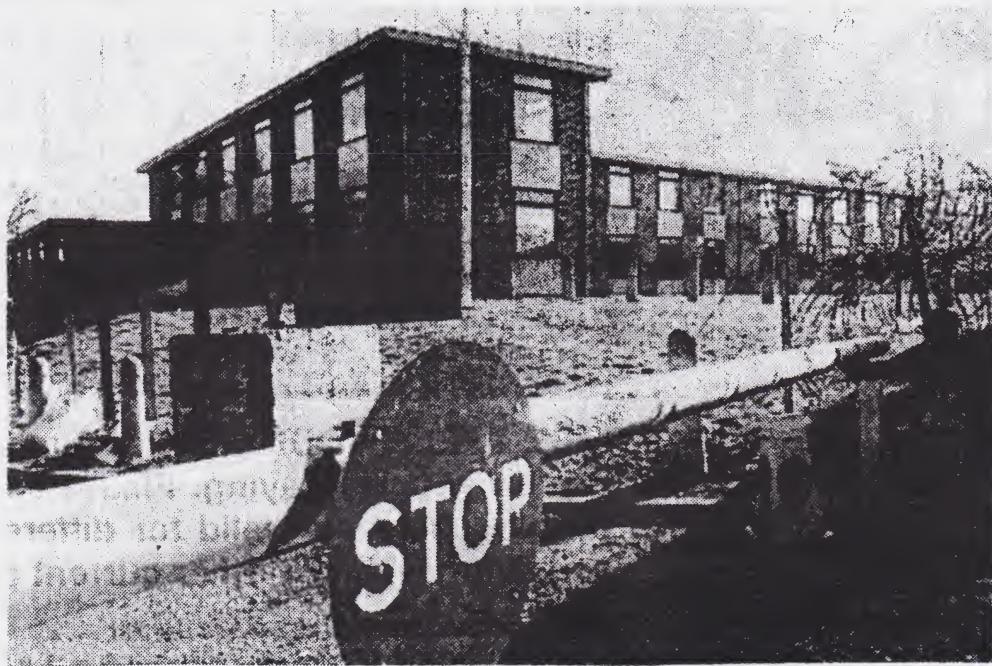
at Maryfield before and during the Drumcree crisis, dramatically underlines the fact Dick Spring and John Bruton, manipulated, and continues to do so, the parades issue for Republican political ends and quite simply have been, since 1985, undermining the status of Ulster; with the full co-operation of the then Secretary of State Sir Patrick Mayhew and the "scum" that claim the name of British civil servants at the Northern Ireland Office!

Such direct interference from Dublin, wholeheartedly approved by London ultimately leads to the question, "Does London now consider Ulster part of the UK?" The answer, under such foreign intervention

in Ulster's internal affairs must be a deafening NO!

There is no other state in the Northern Hemisphere who would accept such foreign intervention in its' affairs, only the weak British Government does.

Such open treachery by the British Govern-



The Maryfield Secretariat

POLITICAL VIOLENCE

We are continually being told by the British Government that violence in Ulster will achieve nothing, That Westminster resolve to defeat the terrorists is as strong as ever, and that the terrorists can never win.

To the rest of the world, especially the foreign media, such statements sound very grandiose and seem to reflect adequately the accepted policy of Western liberal democracies, never to negotiate with terrorists - no matter what the situation.

Unfortunately, as with many government statements, such claims are, at best ambiguous, at worst, down right fabrications. Another example of the Westminster Government being "economical with the truth".

Since the beginning of the current sic "Troubles", government policy, to a lesser or greater degree, has been one of appeasement towards Republicans / Irish Nationalists, - i.e. the Pan-Nationalist Front.

In the political arena we have witnessed a steady increase in Dublin's involvement in Ulster's internal affairs dating back from the Sunningdale agreement; the Anglo-Irish Diktat - (which effectively gave de facto joint authority over Ulster); the Downing Street "peace" declaration; and the Frameworks Document - (Blueprint for British withdrawal from Ulster).

Many of these concessions to Republicans by the government have been due to terrorist attacks by the

A Success Story

PIRA: The bombing of the Conservative Party Conference at Brighton which scared the "Iron Lady" Margaret Thatcher into signing the Anglo-Irish Diktat in 1985; The Balkan Street bombing which cost the Stock Exchange millions of pounds in lost trade, convinced John Major to make further concessions to Republicans by signing the Downing Street "Peace" Declaration; it has also emerged that as a result of Republican / Irish Nationalist violence, that the British for a period of five years had been holding secret talks with the PNF despite Major's infamous "sick to my stomach" denial to the contrary in the House of

Continuing right up to today, the resumption of PIRA violence after their tactical cessation in 1994, has led the government to attempt to appease them to the point that the government will agree to virtually any concession to get the PIRA

to the talks table, regardless of the bombings, shootings and murder carried out by the PIRA.

At a local level government appeasement of Republican violence has ensured the investment of massive sums of money in Republican / Irish Nationalist areas in an attempt to "buy off" and undermine support for the PIRA in these areas. This has resulted in massive house-building and renovation schemes taking place in Republican areas, whilst Protestant working-class communities still live in some of the worst housing in the UK. Many Protestant estates like Glencain in North Belfast, have no shopping facilities of recreational amenities what so ever while Republican estates have an overabundance of shopping centres, community halls and leisure centres. In the Water-

side area of Londonderry, Protestant families still live in dilapidated two-up, two-down houses with outside toilets and wash facilities, whilst finances are made available for the continual upgrading of Republican / Irish Nationalist areas. Similarly government does its' best to attract businesses to Republican / Irish Nationalist areas with various financial inducements, but neglects Protestant areas.

Another example of rampant discrimination against Protestants and appeasement of Republicans / Irish Nationalists is the so-called "Fair Employment Commission", (FEC). With its' policy of "positive discrimination" against Protestants in favour of Roman Catholics in employment, we now have a situation where members of the Roman Catholic community are being given jobs simply because of their religious persuasion - irrespective of whether they are best qualified to do the job or not.

What is conveniently ignored by the FEC chairman Bob Cooper, is that the higher rate of unemployment amongst Roman Catholics is largely artificial and self created. Roman Catholics will not join the Security Forces, (RIR, RUC, British Army), or work for companies connected with the Security Forces, simply because of their disinclination to play any part in upholding law and order in Ulster. Such security related jobs are therefore almost exclusively filled by Protestants. If this category of job is deducted from the religious breakdown figures for the work-place, figure's the FEC uses to justify it's anti-Protestant discriminatory policy,

it soon emerges that, comparatively speaking, employment is equally shared between the two communities. Employment opportunity however is weighted heavily in favour of Roman Catholics. Not only do they have equal opportunity to work in any sector of industry, they also have

the unequal benefit of an un-elected, unaccountable quango with immense power, actively discriminating on their behalf - The FEC

All these events have combined to form a situation where the British Government nowadays do not even bother to listen to the elected representatives of the Ulster people. They are all but ignored, except

when their votes are needed in the commons, or where they can be used by the Government as puppets in their attempts to deceive the Ulster people. In short, republican violence has forced the British Government to attempt appeasement through economic, domestic and political concessions, whilst at best ignoring, and at worst discriminating against the protestant community. This has led to the infrastructure of the Protestant sociopolitical and culture base being eroded to such an extent, by government policies, that even with massive political and financial investment, it would take many years to repair.

It is therefore very obvious violence has worked for republicans, this lesson should not be lost on the Ulster people; we have nothing left to loose, but everything to gain!



**Westminster's answer to Irish political violence -
"Sir" Patrick Mayhew!!!**

THE BBC - MANIPULATORS OF THE TRUTH

In a recent article in the "News Letter", (20th January 1997), the BBC was accused by its former security correspondent, Henry McDonald, that BBC editorial executives in Ulster, failed to expose the fallacy and violence behind the short - lived, tactical, PIRA cessation.

This came of no surprise to the Ulster people, whose experience of the BBC is one of bias in favour of the Irish community. The BBC has done all it can in supporting the Irish culture and politics, whilst attempting to minimise the culture, traditions and policies of the Ulster Protestant community. The BBC actions are, in short, the continuance of BBC sympathy for the Irish argument of a single island and British withdrawal from Ulster.

Henry McDonald claimed that BBC executives had refused to broadcast stories on PIRA murders and beatings, which were later confirmed to be accurate, and he accused them of directing editorial judgement from the fantasy world of Polyanaland, believing if they were "not too beastly" towards the PIRA, then they would solidify the cessation.

McDonald said the BBC's abdication of exposing the truth led to falsehoods being spread by Republicans and their supporters throughout the media in Ulster and the Republic. He sited two examples when the PIRA murdered Garda detective Jerry McCabe in Adare while Sinn Fein was involved in talks with the Eire Government and the murder of Norman Harely at the waterworks site in North Belfast, just days be-



fore President Clinton's visit to the Province.

"These are just two examples of the paralysis crippling news coverage during and shortly after the IRA ceasefire", he wrote. "It flowed from Polyanaland, which is where some news mandarins in BBC Northern Ireland, RTE and the Irish Times, went on holiday during the peace process".

"In this fantasy world they imagined that if reporters and correspondents were not too beastly to the Provos, Sinn Fein would be encouraged to come in from the cold and solidify the IRA ceasefire".

"In Polyanaland, the war was meant to be over. If you be-

lieve that long enough it would start to come true, even if the facts said something different".

Henry McDonald's revelations concerning the failure and bias of the BBC regional editorial executives does raise deeper more disturbing questions about the media's ability in Ulster to manipulate news events, and in turn manipulate and influence public opinion.

Further it is argued that such manipulation is controlled by the Northern Ireland Office, in an attempt to promote disliked or controversial policies directed against Ulster's constitutional position within the United Kingdom. Such actions by the NIO are not new, and have been pursued since the 1980s. Consequently the Ulster Protestant community can with moral right, "point the finger", proclaiming the BBC a corrupt nefarious conspiracy. BBC reporting should therefore be treated with the contempt such activity deserves!

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The Marxist Enigma?

The ongoing war in Ulster has always been portrayed by the British establishment as a war of religious sectarian conflict. To the outside world it is a conflict based on religion - the Roman Church versus the Protestant Churches. This was however runs deeper than the simple religious paradox stamped upon it by the British establishment. It is in fact a war upon the very liberal democratic principles the British establishment is based upon and claims to be the "mother of".

The war is to all intents, one of Marxist orientated "Republican" terrorists, against a Western liberal democracy upon which British politics are based. The British Government therefore should be waging total war against this Marxist threat, their natural political, military, and economic enemies!

However it is the very capitalist based economic liberal democracy that prevents total war from being waged upon Republican terrorist organisations. Many in the British establishment however, perceive Northern Ireland as too big a financial burden to carry and as such are quite willing to hand us over to terrorists, whose whole political ideology is Marxist orientated, and who see Cuba, a totalitarian regime, as a model to emulate. Where a profit can be made, or a pound coin saved, Western liberal democracies, will, it seems, deal with any devil - in Ulster's case, Republican terrorists and their Marxist apologists.

Many reading this will of course deny what is written, and that Republican groups are just, sic "harmless" Socialists. Yet one look at their literature

will demonstrate graphically their Marxist beliefs and hatred of all ideologies not Marxist based.

Republican support amongst many Marxist groups on the Mainland and Europe is well documented from groups such as: Anti-Nazi League, Class War, Anti-Fascist Action, Socialist Worker's Party; to terrorist groups such as ETA and the Red Army Faction, which aided PIRA bombers in Germany and Holland; to various fly-by-the-night, anarchist groups.

It is in the interests of many politicians in the UK and Irish Republic to continually develop "political tunnel vision" when Marxism and Republicanism are mentioned in the same breath. The Irish Government especially, who are in the most precarious position from

the threat of a Marxist terrorist campaign, yet they would curiously deny that such a threat exists, foolishly believing that they can contain any threat which will quickly develop, when the British withdraw from Ulster. They are undoubtedly relying on help from the Americans and an extension of military aid, beyond that of training of their specialised units, which they currently receive.

Of course if a concerted campaign against the pro-Marxist "Republican" groups was launched, as was done in so many other countries, facing a similar threat, our problems would be massively reduced. No such determination however exists, as we are a small country with no oil or other natural reserve to make any such venture, financially attractive to the capitalist Western democracies, and with the end of the cold war, we have no strategic value either! No, our fight is portrayed as religious and ignored.

We will have to rely on no-one
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The Women's Coalition

The Forum Elections in May 1996 gave rise to a much vaunted and promising new political party in Ulster, namely the "Northern Ireland Woman's Coalition".

The announcement of the formation of the Women's Coalition was greeted warmly by many sections of the community, in the belief that it would create a breath of "political fresh air" into the stale political atmosphere of Ulster politics.

The "Woman's Coalition" initial statements on its' formation, made promises of hope, unity and non-sectarianism for Ulster's future, and for many months their words and deeds suggested they were truly attempting to create a cross-community political party orientated towards the female section of the Ulster population.

However for the past several months the "Woman's Coalition" has begun to demonstrate some alarming tendencies which strongly suggest that the "Woman's Coalition" is far from non-sectarian or unbiased.

It is now widely believed by many who initially supported the "Woman's Coalition" that their support has been abused and that the "Woman's Coalition" is but a Republican front. This may be a result of the fact that the majority of the "Woman's Coalition" are Roman Catholic / Irish, and by nature pro-Republican. This belief is greatly underlined by the fact

leadership has been less than forthcoming concerning exactly what their political manifesto is, indeed up to this date no individual in Ulster can state what they stand for. It may be that the "Woman's Coalition" does not want its' "hidden agenda" exposed for fear of the consequences!

Over the past several months there have been various statements and announcements by the "Woman's Coalition" which have strongly indicated a hidden Republican bias at the least; an agenda in the worst case scenario.

Apart from minor indications of this Republican orientation at the Forum Talks, such as an obvious anti-Unionist attitude, more sinister is their unequivocal support for alleged PIRA bomber / murderess Roisin McAliskey; (on the voiced spurious pretence that she was only a pregnant woman!!), and more recently their comments on specifically Ulster Protestant cultural and traditional parades.



Alleged Provo bomber, Roisin McAliskey, supported by the Women's Coalition

The "Woman's Coalition" upon the release of the "Report of the Independent Review of Parades and Marches", (the North Report), fully endorsed the report's proposals for dealing with "Orange" parades. Monica McWilliams and Kate Fearon, spokeswomen for the "Woman's Coalition" outlined their support for the North Report by proposing new legislation which would introduce amendments to the Public Order (NI) Act, 1987, to deal with Loyalist parades. No mention was made of Republican parades or the threat of violence by Republicans against peaceful, lawful, parades. Such stances by the "Woman's Coalition" indicates to all the pro-Irish, Republican agenda of this political party.

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Royal Black Preceptory church parade on Sunday May 4th

Anger was once again felt by Loyalists and in particular members of local Preceptorys, as the RUC re-routed a parade away from the top end of Bellaghy.

Sinn Fein / PIRA did not need to officially organise a protest to the march as the RUC carried out their sectarian actions on the Provo's behalf. the parade itself passed off peacefully as the local "Bruce's True Blues" Accordion Band, many of whom were visibly upset at not being able to march completely through their own village, led the hundreds of "Blackmen" up to the police lines. Here in full view of the world's press / media, and with admirable dignity, the procession turned around and marched back down the Main Street, thus denying SF / RUC / IRA the confrontation they were undoubtedly longing for. After a church service the marchers used the same route before dispersing back at the local church.

At a press conference shortly afterwards local Blackmen compared the RUC's actions to the Apartheid regime in South Africa. One wonders however if a small protest could not have been held on approaching the police lines, such as holding a short religious service as in Belfast. Here a statement could also be read to show disgust at the erosion of Protestant's Civil and Religious Liberties.

The time has come for local Loyalists to look at themselves and work out what they are going to do about it. After any incident of this nature the cry goes up from Protestants and we are all told what our next move should be. Well, next time, instead of advising us, why don't you come and assist us. Change can only be made from within, it can't be done from without.

We need all Protestant / Loyalist people to unite in the fight against Republicanism. Expect no help from the Government or Security (?) Forces.

It is time to make your choice. How many more "Bellaghy's" will we have before the end of the summer? Are you going to stand by and watch your heritage being destroyed? I'll leave it to your conscience, if you have one. Q.S.

The Women's Coalition

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There is one saving grace though to the whole sorry episode the "Woman's Coalition" has become and that is despite all the publicity, hype, and grandiose statements upon its' formation, it is ultimately doomed to achieve absolutely nothing. Its' electoral base will not increase and will probably decline as its' Republican inclinations become more known and widespread. The "Woman's Coalition" will end up but a minute sentence in the footnotes of Ulster's history - another failed pro-Irish, Republican front.

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but ourselves and a few friends to continue the fight against the pro-Marxist Republican threat, to the existence of our country, our people, and in doing so be condemned by those Western liberal democracies, who will twist, consort, deal, and bastardise any cause, to turn a small profit.

The struggle in Ulster, originally had its' roots in religion, but since the arrival of Republican politics in the early part of this century and its' subsequent merge with pro-Marxist politics, religion is used simply as the sole excuse for those in political power to do nothing, and ignore reality. The war on Ulster by pro-Marxists is a threat to all of us, and it is up to us to destroy that threat ourselves - we can rely on no-one else to do it for us, or help us!

DUBLIN'S JOINT AUTHORITY OVER ULSTER

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ment on Ulster's sovereign status must now be acted upon. If our Government is prepared to meekly surrender its' sovereignty over Ulster to a foreign, hostile Government, we are under no obligation whatsoever, to accept the hollow, false political leadership of that Government. The British Government has clearly demonstrated its' detestation for its' people in Ulster, consequently we must show our utter contempt and disgust for the Irish lackeys the British Government has become.

This disclosure of London's surrender of Ulster's sovereignty and betrayal of the Ulster people, demonstrates we owe nothing to the British Government and that we should treat them as equal enemies with the Irish Government. The British Government by its' disclosure of Irish involvement in Ulster have proven themselves ultimately to be little more than political cowards, liars and whores of a failed British political system which happily sells its'

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